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SUBJECT: FUNDS FOR FERTILIZER PROCUREMENT

REF EC BRUSSELS 3455 AND ROME 7276

1. RECENT MESSAGES HAVE STRESSED VIEW THAT FERTILIZER SHORTAGE IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES REQUIRES URGENTLY THE PROVISION OF ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR FERTILIZER PROCUREMENT. IN US VIEW THIS REPRESENTS SERIOUS MISUNDERSTANDING OF CURRENT WORLD FERTILIZER SITUATION. WITHOUT DISCOUNTING SERIOUS BALANCE OF PAYMENTS DIFFICULTIES OF MANY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, US BELIEVES MORE FUNDS SPECIFICALLY FOR THIS PURPOSE WILL HAVE PRIMARY EFFECT OF RAISING FURTHER PRESENT EXCESSIVELY
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HIGH PRICES AS THERE ARE PHYSICAL CONSTRAINTS TO ADEQUATE

EXPANSION OF SUPPLY WHICH CANNOT BE REMOVED FOR SEVERAL YEARS AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES CANNOT DIVERT SUPPLIES FROM DEVELOPED COUNTRIES EITHER BECAUSE OF SUPERIOR PURCHASING POWER OF LATTER OR BECAUSE OF GOVERNMENT INTERVENTION TO LIMIT EXPORTS OR BOTH. PLEASE CONVEY ABOVE TO APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS OF EC AND WFC SECRETARIAT.

2. FYI UK MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE PEART IN CALL ON AMBASSADOR MARTIN TODAY STRONGLY ENDORSED THIS APPRECIATION OF SITUATION. END FYI BROWN

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